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**McCarthy Asks
Congress to
Probe CIA**

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Senator Eugene McCarthy, D-Minn., questioned Thursday whether the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has improperly entered the field of making foreign policy.

McCarthy called for the creation of a Select Senate Committee to review CIA activities.

In a prepared statement, McCarthy said: "The role of the CIA in Viet Nam, Cuba, and a number of other critical areas has raised serious questions about the relationship of the agency to the process of making and directing foreign policy."

"There is some evidence that the CIA has expanded its statutory purpose of correlation and evaluation of intelligence to broader fields."

"IN ANY case, undercover and paramilitary operations have a direct bearing on foreign policy and indirectly on the constitutional responsibility of Congress for defense and war. The CIA was established nearly 20 years ago and it is necessary that there be federal review."

McCarthy did not elaborate on the type of CIA activities which concern him.

He plans to introduce a resolution calling for a nine-member committee "to make a full and complete investigation and study of the CIA and to report its findings and recommendations to the Senate no later than Jan. 31, 1967."

McCarthy said it is the responsibility of Congress to examine periodically the functions and effectiveness of the various agencies it has established.

EXCEPT FOR the CIA, said McCarthy, federal agencies are regularly subject to such review, principally on a year-to-year basis by congressional appropriations committees.

McCarthy said the normal procedures of Congress cannot be applied because of the necessary secrecy in the operation of the CIA.

The committee would review CIA activities and recommend adjustments in operation and supervision.

Since there has been no formal review of CIA activities by congress, said McCarthy, it has not been possible to determine the validity of criticisms, prevent distortions or dispel rumors concerning its activities.